in cities with a population of 20 lakhs and above, and 2 Kms. in other Urban Areas. No two delivery offices, however, should be closer than 5 Kms. for each other.

Heads of Circles have powers to relax the distance condition in 10% of the cases.

A Delivery Post Office in Urban Area should have a minimum of 7 Postmen's beats.

Non-connection of Moradabad with local dialing system

992. MISS FRIDA TOPNO: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether as a matter of policy, Government have provided local dialing system/facility to the cities falling within a radius of 200 Kilometers;

(b) if so, whether all the cities within the 200 kms. radius of Delhi have been provided with this facility;

(c) if so, the details of such cities in U.P. which have been so connected;

(d) the reasons for not connecting Moradabad by local dialing system; and

(e) by when Moradabad would be so connected and if not the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR): (a) As per policy local dialing without "O" (On code "95") is provided upto 200 Kms for intra circle and calls from Delhi SDCA to SDCAs located in NCR only.

(b) No, Sir. Cities located in SDCAs on NCR and falling within 200 Km from Delhi only have been provided local dialing facility.

(c) The information is given in the statement (*See* below).

(d) and (e) Since, Delhi and Moradabad from part of different Telecom Circles and Moradabad not being part of NCR; local dialing without "0" has not been provided between Delhi and Moradabad.

Statement

List of SDCAs falling in NCR and eligible for local dialing without "0" from Delhi SDCA.

Name of SDCA

1. Baraut
2. Bulandsahar
3. Debai
4. Ghaziabad (Including Noida)
5. Garhmukteshwar
6. Hapur
7. Khurja
8. Pahasu
9. Mawana
10. Meerut (Including Baghpat)
11. Siyana
12. Sardhana

Nomination of Telecom Advisory Committee Members

†993. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the process of nomination of a member to the Telecommunication Advisory Committee at the State and the Department levels;

(b) whether Telecommunication Advisory Committees have been set up in all the states and regular meetings of the committees are being held; and

(c) if not, what steps Government are going to take in this direction?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR): (a) All the representations and recommendations received from Hon'ble MPs, MLAs, Union Ministers, VIPs, Field Officers and others are duly considered and nominations to the Telephone/Telecom Advisory

†Original notice of the Question was received in Hindi.